## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of

:

Sadanobu SHIRAI et al.

Mail Stop: PCT

Serial No. 10/524,858

Attorney Docket No. 2005-0152A

Filed February 18, 2005

:

PATCHES CONTAINING TUROBUTEROL [Corresponding to PCT/JP2004/008777 Filed June 16, 2004]

above-entitled application, or

THE COMMISSIONER IS AUTHORIZED TO CHARGE ANY DEFICIENCY IN THE FEE FOR THIS PAPER TO DEPOSIT ACCOUNT NO. 23-0975.

## SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

1a.

Pursuant to the provisions of 37 CFR 1.56, 1.97 and 1.98, Applicants request consideration of the references listed on attached form PTO-1449 and any additional information identified below in paragraph 3. A legible copy of each reference listed on the Form PTO-1449 is enclosed, except a copy is not provided for:

[X] each U.S. Patent and U.S. Patent application publication;
 [] each reference previously cited in the international application PCT/\_\_\_\_\_\_; and/or
 [] each reference previously cited in prior parent application Serial No.
 [X] This Information Disclosure Statement is submitted:
 within three months of the filing date (or of entry into the National Stage) of the

before the mailing of a first Office Action on the merits or the mailing of a first Office Action after the filing of an RCE,

and thus no certification and/or fee is required.

1b. [] This Information Disclosure Statement is submitted

after the events of above paragraph 1a and prior to the mailing date of a final Office Action or a Notice of Allowance or an action which otherwise closes prosecution in the application, and thus:

- (1) [] the certification of paragraph 2 below is provided, or
- (2) [] the fee of \$180.00 specified in 37 CFR 1.17(p) is enclosed.
- 1c. [] This Information Disclosure Statement is submitted:

after the mailing date of a final Office Action or Notice of Allowance or action which otherwise closes prosecution in the application, and prior to payment of the issue fee, and thus:

the certification of paragraph 2 below is provided, and

the fee of \$180.00 specified in 37 CFR 1.17(p) is enclosed.

- 2. It is hereby certified
  - a. [] that each item of information contained in this Information Disclosure Statement was first cited in any communication from a foreign patent office in a counterpart foreign application not more than three months prior to the filing of the Statement, or
  - b. [] that no item of information contained in the Information Disclosure Statement was cited in a communication from a foreign patent office in a counterpart foreign application and, to the knowledge of the person signing the certification after making reasonable inquiry, was known to any individual designated in §1.56(c) more than three months prior to the filing of the Statement.
- 3. [] Consideration of the following list of additional information (including any copending or abandoned U.S. application, prior uses and/or sales, etc.) is requested.

--2 - - - -

- 4. For each non-English language reference listed on the attached form PTO-1449, reference is made to:
  - a. [] a full or partial English language translation submitted herewith,
  - b. [] a foreign patent office search report (in the English language) submitted herewith,
  - c. [X] the concise explanation contained in the specification of the present application at pages 1-3 and 12-15,
  - d. [X] the concise explanation set forth in the attached English language abstract,
  - e. [] the concise explanation set forth below or on a separate sheet attached to the reference:
- 5. [] A foreign patent office search report citing one or more of the references is enclosed.
- 6. [X] Comments:

US '447, cited on the attached PTO-1449 form, corresponds to JP '395, also cited herein. US '472, cited on the PTO-1449 form attached to the IDS filed February 18, 2005, corresponds to JP '854, also cited on the PTO-1449 form attached to the IDS filed February 18, 2005. AU '374, cited herein, corresponds to WO '411, also cited herein. US '348, cited herein, corresponds to JP '202, also cited herein.

Also submitted herewith are copies of references AJ-AL and AO cited on the PTO-1449 form attached to the IDS filed February 18, 2005.

Respectfully submitted,

Sadanobu SHIRAI et al.

By:

Amy E. Pulliam

Registration No. 55,965 Agent for Applicants

MRD/AEP/pth Washington, D.C. 20006-1021 Telephone (202) 721-8200 Facsimile (202) 721-8250 May 18, 2005

Sheet 1 of 1	11		INFORMA	TION DISCLOS	URE STATEMEN	T			
FORM PTO 1449 (m	TMENT OF COMMERCE	e.	ATTY DOCKET NO. 2005-0152A RIAL NO. 3/524,858						
PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE  LIST OF REFERENCES CITED BY APPLICANT(S)				APPLICANT Sadanobu SHIRAI et al.					
(Use several sheets if necessary)  Date Submitted to PTO: May 18, 2005				FILING DATE February 18, 2005			GROUP		
		···	U.	S. PATENT DO	CUMENTS				
*EXAMINER INITIAL		DOCUMENT NUMBER	DATE	NAME		CLASS	SUBCLASS	FILING DATE IF APPROPRIATE	
	AA	6,117,447	9/2000	Nakano et al.					
	AB	5,254,348	10/1993	Hoffmann et al.					
	AC								
	AD								
	AE								
180	AF								
	AC								
	АН								
AI									
			FOR	EIGN PATENT	DOCUMENTS				
		DOCUMENT NUMBER	DATE	COUNTRY		CLASS	SUBCLASS	TRANSLATION YES NO	
	AJ	11-228395	8/1999	Japan					
	AK	97/14411	4/1997	wo					
	AL	199668374	5/1997	Australia					
	AM	5-194202	8/1993	Japan					
	AN								
		OTHE	R DOCUMENT(S) (	(Including Autho	r, Title, Date, Perti	nent Pages, Etc.)			
	AO								
	AP								
					-		,,,,,,**,,		
· -4	AQ								
EXAMINER					DATE CONSIDERED				

<sup>\*</sup>EXAMINER: Initial if reference considered, whether or not citation is in conformance with MPEP 609; Draw line through citation if not in conformance and not considered. Include copy of form with next communication to applicant.